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PET OF THE WEEK: Owen Wilson

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Owen Wilson is living his best life with the Herrmann family in Winchester. COURTESY PHOTO/LAUREN HERRMANN

By Lauren Herrmann

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Owen Wilson is a 13-year-old, 63-pound Catahoula Leopard, which is the state dog of Louisiana. This breed is thought to be a combination of dogs that Spanish and French explorers brought to the Choctaw Lakes region to herd wild boars in the 16th to 18th centuries.

The merle pattern is typical of Catahoulas, though Owen Wilson is quite unique, being mostly white.

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Our family adopted him from a local rescue organization when we lived in Fishers, Ind., a suburb of Indianapolis. He had been found on the city streets, scrawny and with very little fur, estimated to be about 5 months old.

Since then, Owen has led an incredibly active and at times, hilarious life. He sprints after woodchucks in the yard, plays with his favorite neighborhood friends, and loyally defends the household.

Have you got a pet in your household you would like to spotlight? Just send us their name, a little bit of information about their age and personality and of course, do not forget to send a photo! Just email editor@winchesternews.org with Pet of the Week in the subject line.

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PET OF THE WEEK: Griffin Lauretano

Hi, I'm Griffin Lauretano and I am a purebred poodle! I am very smart and playful! I am 4 years old! I hang out in Winchester with my Grammie, Cheryl. We take long walks around our beautiful neighborhoods in Winchester and enjoy seeing other neighbors and their dogs! Hope

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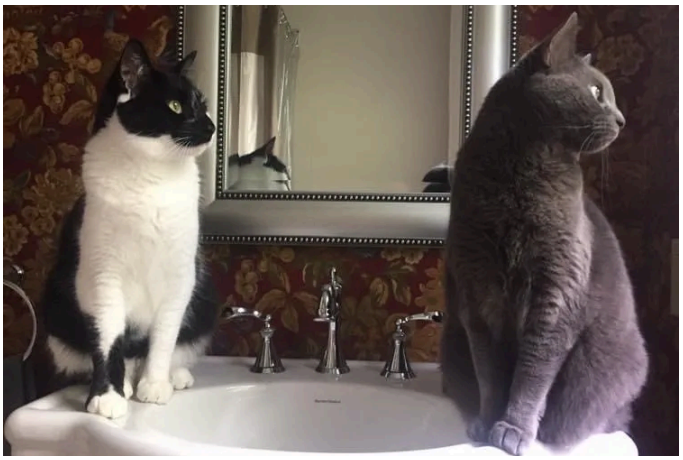

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PETS OF THE WEEK: Moon Shadow and Sally

Moon Shadow and Sally are rescues whom Highland Avenue residents Tara and Rob Hughes adopted. "Sally is our older girl (14) originally an outdoor kitty from Somerville who fell in love with our daughter when she was little," the family says. "She is vocal, loving, smart and often hungry for

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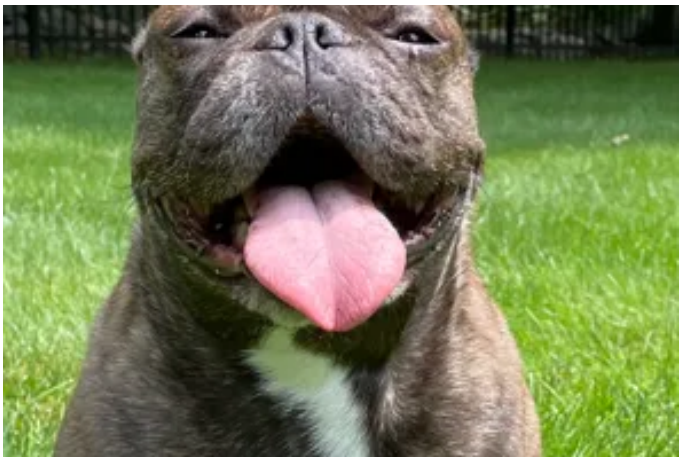
PET OF THE WEEK: Abby the tabby

Taking advantage of an open door, Abby the tabby just walked into Mahoney's and made herself at home. She introduced herself to her new human, who instantly fell in love with her. New cozy bed, toys, delicious food,



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Eleanor is our 13-year-old French Bulldog. She is very set in her ways. She loves her long naps and her daily walks. She is quite annoying with her barking [illegible]d people, but we love her so [illegible] with it. She is such a sweetie

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Winchester School Committee candidates bring contrasting backgrounds to Thursday forum

Two candidates for Winchester's School Committee will face voters at a forum as the district navigates a new literacy curriculum, budget pressures and questions about student mental health. Heather von Mering and John Bellaire are competing for an open seat on the School Committee, which oversees a budget von

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'Chicago: Teen Edition' dances onto the Winchester High School stage

By Talia Ho | Correspondent Fame. Fortune. And all that jazz. This spring, Winchester High School presents "Chicago: Teen Edition," a bold musical that explores celebrity culture, media manipulation, and the cost of ambition. Set in the 1920s, this iconic production is sure to leave the audience wanting more. Performances will

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Ripley Chapel in Winchester presents ‘Syldason: You Are Welcome Here’

The following was submitted by the Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church: On Friday, March 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m., live in-person and live streamed from the stunning Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church, Winchester, 21 Church St., join in with Syldason, a duo concert featuring Sylvie Zakarian,

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Rep. Michael Day helps House colleagues pass sweeping energy affordability bill

The following was submitted by the Office of Rep. Michael S. Day: Rep. Michael S. Day and his colleagues in the House of Representatives recently passed energy affordability legislation that would result in over $9 billion in savings for utility ratepayers over the next 10 years. The bill maintains critical

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